Road Blockage In Dimapur

3085. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the help provided to Manipur Government to solve the problem of road blockage i.e. on N.H. No. 39 and No. 53-Iraphal-Dimapur and Imphal-Silchar, respectively;

(b) whether Central Security Forces were sent to give escort to the plying trucks with essential commodities; and

(c) if so, the number of forces sent?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) Central Para Military Forces are made available to the State Governments to assist them to maintain public order. The levels of deployment depend upon over all security scenario and the availability of Central Para Military Forces. Accordingly, Central Para Military Forces have been made available to the Government of Manipur keeping in view the overall availability of these forces.

Government of Manipur was advised to ensure that the blockage on National Highways is lifted immediately. Essential commodities were brought to Manipur under heavy escort. Army and Central Para Military Forces provided necessary assistance in this regard.

Crimes in Delhi

3086. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased state:

(a) whether the number of crimes has increased in 'Delhi during the last one year;

(b) the number of crimes like murders, robberies, dacoities, abduction, extortions that have taken place in Delhi during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) what special steps are being taken by Government to check crimes in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The total number of cases registered during the last one year (i.e. from 1st July, 1997 to 30th June, 1998) were 70,255 as against 75,506 cases registered during the preceding twelve months.

(b) The requisite information is as under:

	1995	1996	1997	1998 (up to 30.6.98)
Murder	525	523	575	318
Robbery	553	611	625	364
Dacoity	42	32	37	22
Abduction	309	326	' 295	172
Extortion	36	25	55	37
Rape	377	491	544	194
Riot	210	237	211	90
Other IPC	45637	57626	58541	26193
Local/ Special Law	13924	14493	13783	4587
GRAND TOTAL	61613	74364	74666	31977

(c) The steps taken by the Delhi Police to prevent such crime include inter-alia, intensification of beat patrolling; posting of armed pickets at strategic points, strengthening of intelligence network; close watch on and frequent raids at the suspected hide-outs of criminals; increased surveillance on history sheeters; coordination meetings with the officers of neighbouring states; formation of anti-terrorist cell in each police distrtiet; and deployment of police personnel in plain clothes in running buses, market places, business places and other, crime-prone areas.